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## Marquette County's Older Population

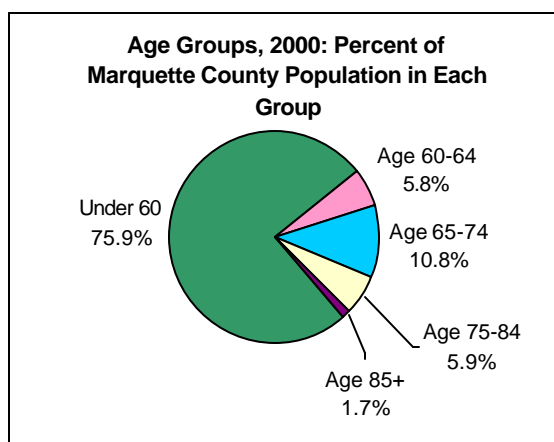
A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

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### Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in Marquette County is much higher than that of the state as a whole (18.3% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been much faster in this county than in the state as a whole (15.2% versus 7.9%). In all, 2,896 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 264 of these are age 85 or older. Marquette County's average (or median) age is 40.9 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

Marquette County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	15,832		12,321		3,511	28.5%
Persons 60 and over	3,812	24.1%	3,391	27.5%	421	12.4%
Persons 65 and over	2,896	18.3%	2,513	20.4%	383	15.2%
Persons 85 and over	264	1.7%	212	1.7%	52	24.5%



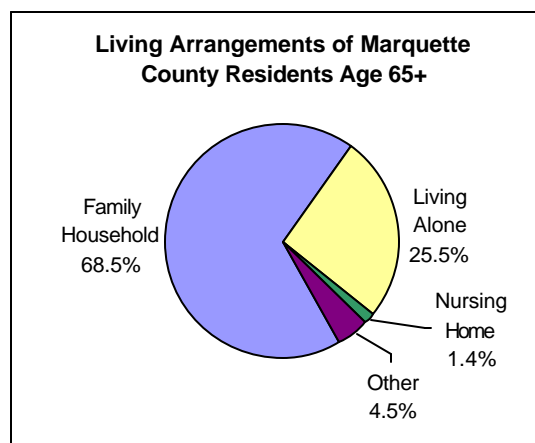
### Race:

A large majority (98.9%) of Marquette County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. Marquette County African Americans have a median age of 31.7 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 30.7 years. Whites, in contrast, average 41.8 years.

### Living Arrangements:

Of the 5,986 households in Marquette County, 1,993 include at least one person age 65 or older (33.3% of all households). A total of 1,858 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 87.6% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (68.5%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 25.5% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 2.8% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 41 people age 65 and older live in Marquette County nursing homes (1.4% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.



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**SOURCE:** U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1.

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